

Springerville Town Council
Minutes
October 20, 2004

Present: Kay Dyson, Mayor, Mary Nedrow Vice- Mayor, Mark Baca, Scott Cray and Pete Hunt

Staff: Scott Garms Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Sterling Solomon and Eduardo Coronado Town Attorneys, Steve West Police Chief, James Hamblin Finance Director Larisa Bogardus Community Development Dir. and Tom Malone Public Works Dir.

Public: Candy Cook (SMAAC) Chair person, Dana Overson with ACES, Betty Amator, Kay and Phelps Wilkins, Dave and Amy Pulsifer, Carolyn Trammell, Susan Martin, Jeff Barbe, Roxanne Knight, Evelyn Arabe, Judy Hayes. White Mountain Independent.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dyson at 6:02pm.
2. Councilman Hunt led the Pledge of Allegiance and Councilman Baca said Invocation.
3. Public Participation:

Mr. Phelps Wilkins presented an award of recognition was presented to Carolyn Trammell for her contribution to the Save our School fund. Other awards mentioned were to Jerry and Beverly Compos, Barbara Hunter, the White Mountain Historical Society and Elizabeth and Rosalie Hartman.

Candy Cook Chairperson for Springerville Municipal Airport Advisory Committee reminded the council and public about the open house and pancake breakfast meeting on Saturday October 22, at the airport beginning at 9:00am.

4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Mr. Garms reported that the audit was almost complete and it seems to be going smoothly. The town will be participating in the Veterans' Day on November 11th and will have the War Wagon in the parade. We will also be participating in Halloween on Main Street on Saturday October 31st. There will be a Forest Health Strategy meeting on October 26th in Flagstaff sponsored by the League of Cities and Town and the County Supervisors Association if anyone is interested in attending.

Mayor Dyson briefly commented on the meetings she attended on behalf of the town during the last month. She noted that she has a written report if anyone is interested they can contact town hall for a copy.

She did announce that our motels are full due to the workers here for the outage through November 17th.

The Department of Commerce awarded a \$48,000 grant to our region to do infrastructure assessment for site selectors for potential businesses wanting to establish a business. EDAC will have been given the responsibility of that grant along with some of the other communities.

Councilman Cray reported he attended the Governors Rural Development Conference with Mayor Dyson and Town Manager Scott Garms.

He mentioned that Vaughn Wilhelm from EDAC was presented an award for our region. This award gives our region some type of recognition.

Chief West reported that the speed trailer will be delivered sometime this week. It is also a sign trailer that has 110 prearranged messages and we can program in other messages. It will also be able to do traffic, and speed counts.

5. Minutes: Consider approval of the minutes from the town council meeting held on October 6, 2004 at 6:00pm

Motion by Pete Hunt/Mark Baca to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2004 council meeting held on October 20, 2004.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

6. Outlaw Trail ATV Jamboree: Update on the ATV Jamboree presented by Hank Rogers.

There was no one present to give an update.

7. Save Our School Committee: Consideration of an updated plan of action and progress for the rehabilitation of the old school.

Mr. Garms reported that he did not believe this project could be completed under the present process. He advised the council that Tom has done research in mold abatement without using industrial standards. They have been working with OSHA and EPA and ADEQ to find out exactly what is needed to abate the mold and asbestos. The engineer's report that came in today says that the building is in fairly good condition. He advised the council that a lot of the work can be done by our public works department which can be scheduled during in climate weather or during slow time.

Mr. Garms said he included a plan of action in the chronology he feels that they should follow as well as notes on a work plan. He explained that this means that they would not use Doug Wolf, and not follow up with an RFP process. Some of the CDBG money can be utilized for some of the abatement process. He asked for direction from the council to go ahead and begin. He informed them that the first thing that needs to be taken care of is the electrical. They need to run new electrical service to the town hall that will service the entire building, then the lines to the old building need to be killed. This will cost approximately \$5,000 with \$1,000 on a down payment. Then they can begin work on the roof but once it is started it will need to be completed.

Mayor Dyson noted that the engineer's report is very detailed and looks very positive and it is going to take time. She suggested that they hold a building committee meeting to review the report that came in today.

Kay Phelps gave a brief financial report and reported on the fund raising. She noted that the brick sales were proving to be the best fund raiser.

Mayor Dyson noted that we have a bill before the senate that will be voted on after the election. If we get that \$100,000 we can write our next SHPO grant to match it. We are also going to continue looking for ways to finance a public safety building.

8. CDBG: Consideration of an amendment to the CDBG grant.

Mr. Garms explained that the original CDBG grant was written for slum and blight that would pay for demolition of the building and abatement. The grant cannot be changed by more than 35% which ties our hands significantly. To most effectively utilize this money he suggested using this for the abatement of the asbestos. ADEQ inspected the site and found three areas that have asbestos. Two areas of concern are the boiler room and a small bathroom with broken tile that need to be remediated. The tile on the floor if left in tact would not be a problem. He advised them that we have a bid from a state procurement company for \$5,600 to abatement the asbestos in those areas, and another \$1,100 from a third party to test the air after the abatement process. CDBG money can be utilized to clean up

these areas. We have a recommendation from OSHA for a type of disinfectant spray to utilize later in the mold abatement at an approximately cost of \$1,400 . This includes the personal protective equipment for any workers that will be in there. This can all be paid for with CDBG money. The remainder of the CDBG money can be rolled over into the housing rehab which is an open account. There will be approximately \$100,000 left for this project.

Dana Overson informed the council that there were still twelve remaining applicants for housing rehab in Springerville. Seven to ten homes have already been served with housing rehab money .

She also explained that in the next round of CDBG money the town could do a removal of barriers project. If planned well this could cover entrances, ramps, restrooms, counters and speaker systems for hearing impaired retrofit. If the bathrooms already exist they can be redone. The next CDBG round for Springerville will be 2006 for citizen participation and money in 2007.

9. Eagar Swimming Pool: Presentation by Barbara Hunter and the "Friends of the Pool" committee concerning the future of the Eagar Swimming Pool.

Barbara Hunter asked to be removed from the agenda.

10. Planning and Zoning Section 17.24.020: Discussion concerning the "Location and Boundaries of Districts" and direction for staff.

The council discussed the issue of whether the commercial boundary should be located in the middle of the highway or at the edge of the highway.

Larisa advised the council that the Department of Commence recommends using the edge of the highway as the boundary. She noted that the council voted to set the measurement at the property line. However, an ordinance should have come forward with the amendment stating this is how it would be done in the future. She said staff needs direction from the council to bring forward an ordinance making this change permanent.

Mr. Garms explained that this was on the agenda for discussion and to direct staff to research any changes and bring it back as an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance.

11. Arizona Cities & Town Week 2004: Consider a resolution to recognize Arizona Cities & Towns Week 2002.

Larisa Bogardus explained that we can't adopt a resolution tonight, but explained that this is an annual event to encourage municipalities to raise awareness of the types of services and programs that are available to the community. This year's theme was "Serving Our Community". We partnered with Blue Hills, juvenile probation, and Springerville Auto Wreckers to do a community clean-up at no cost to the town except for some man power from our public works. This is the first time in several years that we have been able to do more clean up.

12. Police Car: Consideration of a police department's request to purchase a replacement for a wrecked patrol vehicle.

Mr. Garms explained that the police vehicle was placed into the contingency budget.

James Hamblin Director of Finance explained that this purchase is not going to be done right away since there is not a car available at the moment from Salt Lake County. He felt that there would not be a major cash crunch as he will have time to set money aside for this purchase. The cost for the vehicle will be \$23,000 and the town has been reimbursed just over \$5,000 from our insurance.

Mr. Garms noted that if there is not opposition to this request he will bring it forward as a consent item on the next agenda.

13. Planning and Zoning Commissioner: Consideration of the removal of Commissioner Bridget Laney from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mayor Dyson announced that they received a letter of resignation from Ms. Laney so they don't need to do anything on this item; however she said she had a concern with where they are going with the planning and zoning commission. She has concerns with the commission not having a quorum present to take care of business. She asked that Mr. Garms put this item on the next agenda to look at going from, five to seven members, and how they attract new members.

14. Executive Session: Consider entering into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) for discussion and update with the Town Attorney concerning a lawsuit.

Motion by Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt to adjourn into executive session at 7:17p.m

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

Motion by Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt to reconvene the meeting at 7:35pm

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

15. Adjournment

Motion by Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt to adjourn the meeting.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Mark Baca
		Scott Cray
		Pete Hunt

The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday, October 20, 2004. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 25th Day of October, 2004

Town Clerk

